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## ALESIS ANNOUNCES IO|2 USB -Portable 24-bit/96k USB interface-

**Cumberland, RI, Jan 20, 2005** – Alesis is pleased to announce the IO|2 USB, a tough-as-nails, portable 24-bit/96k USB interface that's unbeatably priced. This ultra-sturdy device features aluminum housing and is USB powered. Complete with low latency ASIO 2.0 drivers and Cubase LE recording software, just add a computer and record right out of the box.

The IO|2 is equipped with professional mic-pres, phantom power and comprehensive metering. Its flexible inputs can handle everything from mics to guitars and basses to keyboards. Channel inserts are provided for outboard processing. The unit even has full MIDI and S/PDIF I/O, eliminating the need to buy or carry any additional gear. The IO|2 is about half the size of other USB interfaces, so it can easily fit in a laptop case or small backpack.

The interface is USB powered so there's no need for an AC plug, or carrying around an external power source. The carefully designed, low-power circuitry is optimized for minimal laptop battery drain.

Available Q1 of 2005.

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